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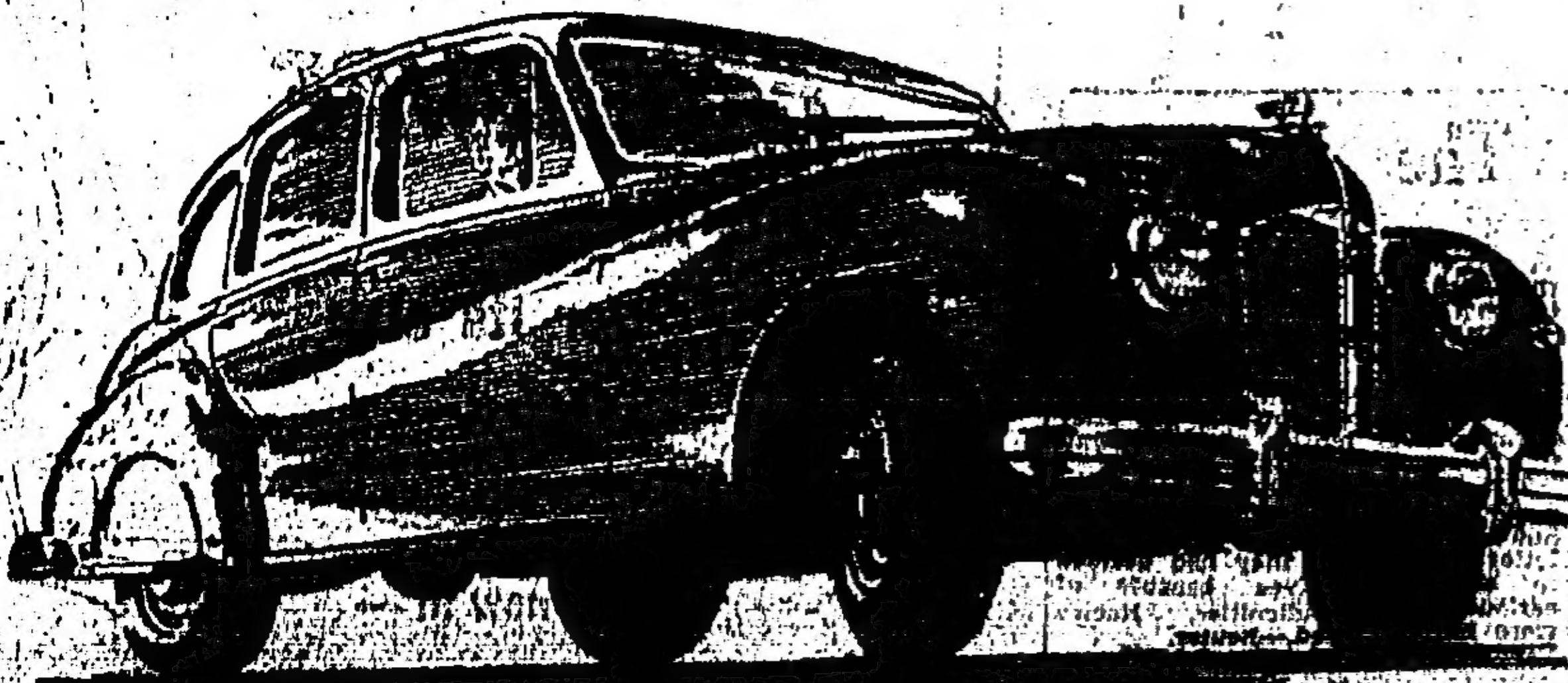
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BRITAIN'S DEPENDABLE CAR

## BULGARIA THREAT TO PEACE

Lake Success, Nov. 14.  
The United Nations Political Committee today decided that Albania and Bulgaria still presented a threat to Greece and voted to continue its "Watchdog Committee" in the Balkans.

By 52 votes to six the committee approved a five-power resolution which extended the mandate of the Special Committee on the Balkans until at least the next session of the Assembly.

Yugoslavia joined with the Soviet bloc in opposing this. The resolution, sponsored by the United States, Britain, Australia, France and Pakistan, noted that the frontier situation between Greece and her northern neighbours had shown a certain improvement, but it declared that there was still a threat to the independence and integrity of Greece.

A Soviet proposal calling for "universal and free" Parliamentary elections in Greece, the dissolution of the Watchdog Committee, and a declaration of a general amnesty in Greece, as well as the abolition of "concentration camps for Greek Democrats" was defeated by 51 votes to five, Yugoslavia and Yemen abstaining.

**RETURN OF POWS**  
The Political Committee approved a Greek resolution calling on her neighbours to return troops captured by the guerrillas and taken to Albania and Bulgaria.

The resolution, adopted over East European opposition, with Yugoslavia abstaining, instructed the Secretary-General, Mr. Trygve Lie, to request the International Red Cross to contact Red Cross organisations of the States concerned.

The resolution said that only Yugoslavia had given evidence of stopping further detention of Greek troops.—Reuter.

## Picasso In A Huff

London, Nov. 14.  
The Spanish-born artist, Pablo Picasso, declined today to attend the opening of an exhibition of his works in London.

The exhibition was organised by the Arts Council of Britain. Picasso was one of the few French delegates to the Communist-sponsored World Peace Congress in Sheffield allowed to enter Britain last week-end.

In a letter to the secretary of the Arts Council, Picasso said that he understood the exhibition was "in effect held under Government auspices."

He added: "In view of the British Government's repressive attitude towards the second World Peace Congress and its conduct towards so many of my friends and colleagues I have decided to cancel my acceptance of your invitation."—Reuter.

## An RSM Interrogates His Prisoners



## Child Marriage Of Nepalese King Reported

New Delhi, Nov. 14.

Indian newspapers said today that a child marriage has united the baby King Gyanendra of revolt-torn Nepal and a grand-daughter of his Prime Minister, but the Nepalese Embassy denied it.

King Gyanendra is the three-year-old grandson of exiled King Tribhuvana Bir Bikram, 44, who was deposed last week by the Prime Minister, Maharaja Mohan Shamsheer Jang Bahadur Rana.

The newspaper accounts did not state the age of the Prime Minister's grand-daughter. A union of the two families would help strengthen the grip of the Prime Minister on Nepalese affairs. He has long been the strong man in that nation of 6,000,000.

Child marriages are legal in Nepal, as in various other areas of Asia. In denying the report, the Nepalese Embassy spokesman said "No good Hindu girl married this month, which is fit only for dogs to wed."

The Prime Minister heads the government, which is fighting an armed uprising by the Nepalese Congress Party. His family had controlled the little Himalayan kingdom since 1807, giving the King only the role of a figurehead.

### SUREST BULWARK

M. P. Koirala, 39-year-old chief of the insurrectionary forces, declared in New Delhi that success of the rebels would be "the surest bulwark against the extension of Communism from adjoining Tibet."

"We expect to replace the present autocratic regime, possibly within the next fortnight," he said in an interview. "The present administration has already collapsed morally and we are hastening its physical breakdown."

Koirala and a group of aides flew to New Delhi last night to confer with King Tribhuvana, who is living in exile here. Indian authorities seized from the party three and a half million rupees taken from the Nepalese Government Treasury at Birgunj, a city captured by the rebels last week-end. Koirala said they had intended to turn over the money to King Tribhuvana and set him up as the constitutional head of a government run by the people. The Indian Foreign Ministry said the money is being kept in safe custody.

### ASSAULT REPULSED

Sources close to the Indian Foreign Ministry said Nepalese Government troops, made up largely of the militant Gurkhas, had been despatched from Kathmandu, the capital, to recapture Birgunj, 60 miles to the South. Shooting was also reported in Biharwa and the industrial town of Biratnagar. An assault by about 100 Congress supporters was repulsed by Government troops at Biratnagar, but some arms and ammunition were stolen; the informants said.

Koirala said the establishment of "a real welfare State" is the only way to insure Nepal, a nation of 6,000,000, against the entry of Communism from across the Himalayas. He said the initial success of the forces was due to surprise and surprise attacks in many places, popular backing and the Nepalese army which is headed by the Prime Minister, Maharaja Jang Bahadur Rana.

## British Concession

### A STERLING OVERDRAFT FOR JAPAN

Tokyo, Nov. 14.

The United Kingdom was believed to have indicated its intention to allow Japan an overdraft of £10,000,000 to £15,000,000 in order to help ease Japan's seasonal lack of sterling in its trade with the Sterling Area, according to the Jiji News Agency today.

The idea of allowing the overdraft apparently followed current difficulties in settling the question of payments, which are believed to be preventing Japan and Sterling Area countries from signing the 1950-1951 trade agreement calling for an exchange of £100,000,000 worth of goods.

Jiji said that Japan, under the coming trade agreement, would import £93,000,000 worth of goods from countries participating in the pact in addition to £30,000,000 to £40,000,000 worth from such non-participants as Pakistan and Burma.

**REASON FOR SHORTAGE**  
Japan's major imports of raw wool, wheat and cotton are concentrated between October and March of the following year, while Japan's main exports of cotton, piecegoods, rayon goods and machinery are usually concentrated in the April to June period. These circumstances were responsible for causing Japan's sterling shortage during the five-month period beginning October, the Jiji news agency said.—Reuter.

Private Bill Hamilton, of Sydney, keeps his Owen gun trained on three North Korean prisoners, while RSM R. T. Boyde, of Helensburgh, Dumfriesshire, holds an American hand-grenade which one of the prisoners was carrying.

## New Ship For The P & O

London, Nov. 14.

The P & O's new 9,000-ton cargo liner, Singapore, is to be launched at Clydebank on November 30. There has been only one other ship of this name in the company's 113 years of existence.

The first Singapore was built exactly 100 years ago. She was an iron paddle steamer of 1,100 tons. She spent the whole of her life in Far Eastern waters and sank in 1867 after striking an uncharted rock. Everyone on board, however, was saved.—Reuter.

## Poles Make Big Show Of 'Peace' Talk

Prague, Nov. 14.

Poland is sweeping aside the usual formalities for delegations going to the World Peace Congress, opening in Warsaw on Thursday, an official announcement said here today.

Journalists of all countries wishing to go to the Congress will be admitted into Poland and will be able to follow the work of the Congress, it was added.

A statement issued by the organisers of the Congress said that hundreds of foreign delegates would be admitted into Poland on a collective document issued for each properly elected delegation.

The statement contrasted Poland's action with "Mr. Attlee's vain attempt to put a black-out on the Peace Congress."

It said that hundreds of delegates were now converging on Prague from East and West by land and by air and were being re-directed to Warsaw.—Reuter.

## Resignation Accepted

Washington, November 14.

President Truman announced today that he accepted formally the resignation of Mr. Gordon Gray as special assistant. The resignation was submitted on November 10.

Mr. Gray will assume his new post as President of the University of North Carolina. He stayed in government service at President Truman's request to prepare a report on foreign economic policies.

The State Department lauded Gray's report, calling it an "outstanding contribution to the development of the foreign policy of the United States."

Mr. Michael McDermott said that specific recommendations in the report deserve "careful study" by the American people.—United Press.

## Scepticism In India Over Cease Fire In Tibetan Invasion

New Delhi, Nov. 14.

Official Indian quarters today gave no credence to reports that the Communists had entered Lhasa and that "it was all over" in Tibet.

They were also sceptical that Communist China and Tibet had agreed on peace terms.

These statements had earlier been attributed to an Indian Government spokesman (the spokesman was reported to have said: "It is all over, Lhasa and Peking have been able to reach agreement over relations between Tibet and China").

Conflicting reports were received here from Tibet today. The Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, was reported to have stated that, according to reports received by the Indian Government from Lhasa, the situation there was "entirely different from what was indicated by press reports."—Reuter.

**BRITAIN'S STAND**  
Britain will give full support to the Tibetan complaint against Chinese intervention, which reached the Security Council yesterday, diplomatic quarters in London believed tonight.

But it was thought unlikely that the British delegation would itself sponsor the Tibetan complaint. Sponsorship will be necessary in the case of Tibet's complaint against China since it comes from a State which is not a member of the United Nations Organisation.

The Tibetan complaint strongly protests against the fact that Chinese Communist troops crossed the Sino-Tibetan

### Ship For Sale

Tokyo, Nov. 14.

The Civil Property Custodian of General MacArthur's headquarters announced today that sealed bids were being accepted for the sale of a cargo ship formerly known as the M. M. Blde, are being accepted until February 20 next year, and must be expressed in United States dollars, but payment might be in Sterling, francs or Japanese yen, the announcement said.—Reuter.

## GENERAL HAS PLAN FOR REDS

Washington, Nov. 14.

Major General Chinn Chennault said today that Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist troops on Formosa should be used to throw the Communists out of China, not Korea.

The former boss of the Flying Tigers and Commander of the 14th United States Air Force in World War II told reporters that a national guerrilla force is organised in Formosa to "oust the Communists."

President Chinnault said that the guerrilla force should be kept in Formosa to defend the island, while the guerrilla movement gets underway. He opposed proposals that they be sent to fight with the United Nations forces in Korea.

Gen. Chennault said it would be a great mistake even to send United States forces into China. He said Generalissimo Chiang's Nationalists "can throw out the Communists. Let them do it."

The retired commander talked with newsmen at a Federal court where, his pretty Chinese wife, Anne Chennault, became an American citizen in naturalisation ceremonies.

**"ONLY WAY TO DO IT"**  
Gen. Chennault said: "There are 1,000,000 Chinese Nationalists—you might call them displaced persons—in Formosa. They came from all over China. They could be used to build up a guerrilla force in their native areas to help oust the Communists."

He added: "The only way to oust the Communists is to throw the use of American troops." Gen. Chennault indicated that American forces in China would face an almost impossible task.

Gen. Chennault said the Communists claim no more than 5,000,000 Reds in China. He added: "Give them a generation or two and they can be thrown out. Now is the time to oust them."

He said that morale on Formosa is high.—United Press.

## PURGE IN EGYPTIAN ARMY

Cairo, Nov. 14.

Scores of Egyptian officers are to be placed on pension and their posts filled by younger men, according to military quarters here.

This follows the appointment of General Hussein Fawzi, 51, as the acting Commander-in-Chief and Chief of Staff. He replaces Field Marshal Omar El Mohdi Pasha, the Chief of Staff placed on pension yesterday a few hours after the resignation of Field Marshal Mohammed Haldar Pasha, the Commander-in-Chief.

Field Marshal Osman El Mohdi Pasha was relieved on the recommendation of the Public Prosecutor, who had just reported on Egypt's arms scandal. The "scandal" concerned the purchase of useless arms and ammunition from Italy for the Egyptian Army during the Palestine War. General Fawzi, who has been Commander of the Egyptian forces in Palestine, has threatened to resign as a result of General Hussein Fawzi's appointment, according to military sources.—Reuter.

## First Round Goes To India

Lake Success, Nov. 14.

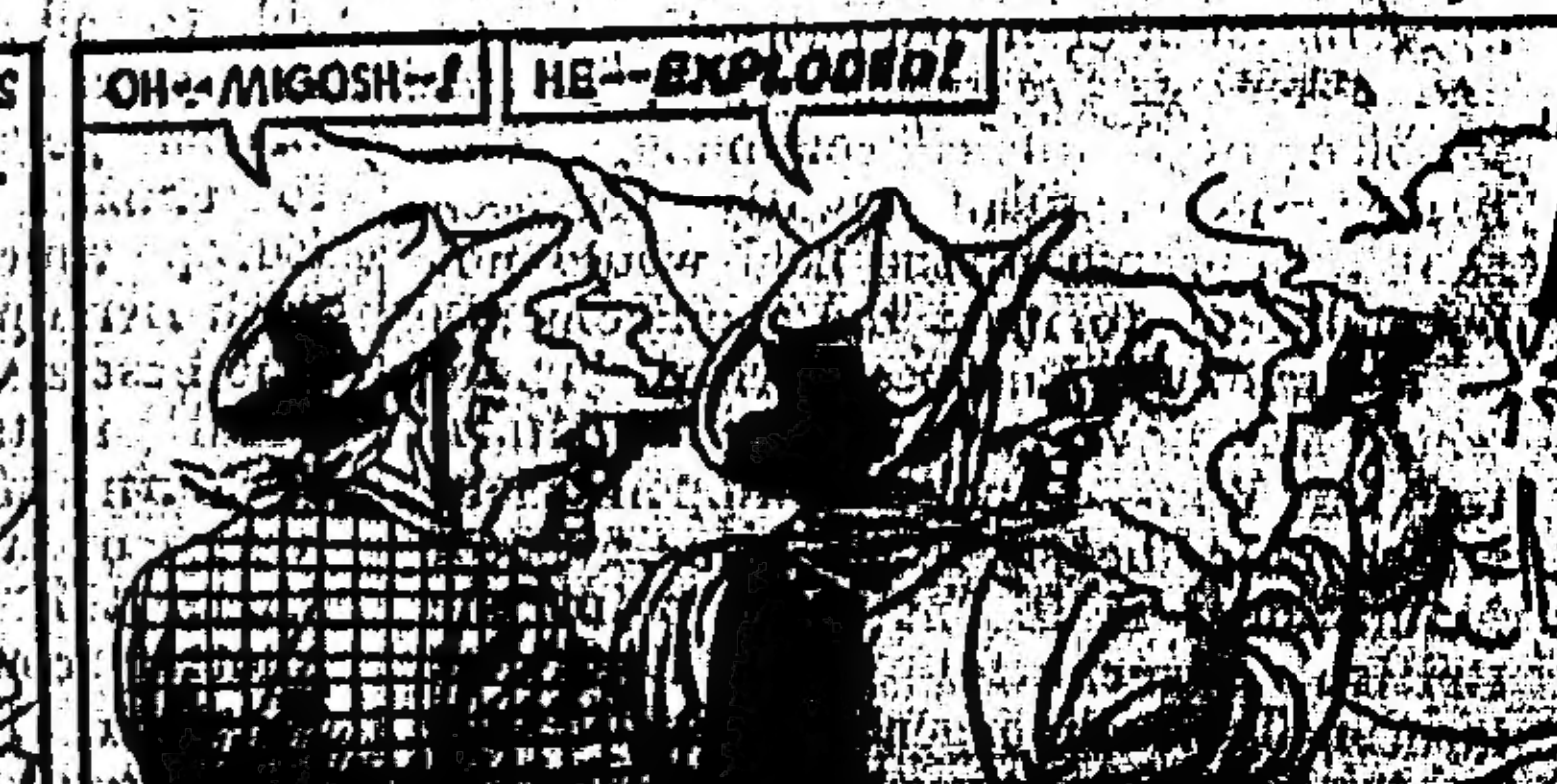
South Africa cooped up India on Tuesday in the first round of the debate in the United Nations on India's complaint against the treatment of its nationals by the United Government.

The South African Minister of the Interior, Theophilus Dreyer, presented and the United Nations on Tuesday. He withdrew a motion in the General Assembly that would have declared the Assembly incompetent to deal with the issue.—United Press.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



## By Lee Falk and Phil Davis





## Spain's Value As An Ally

London, Nov. 14. The question of including Spain in the Atlantic Pact is being studied here. Spain would be of value as a land, air and sea base and military authorities here have a high opinion of the fighting qualities of Spanish troops, but political antipathy to General Franco's regime is likely to delay any invitation to Spain for a considerable time.—Reuter.

## MOVE BY JAPANESE LIBERALS

Tokyo, Nov. 14. The Japanese Prime Minister, Mr. Shigeru Yoshida, Liberal Party today appealed to the principal opposition parties to cooperate with the Government in formulating a supra-Party foreign policy.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives, Mr. Kijuro Uehara, acting as official representative of the Liberal Party, today approached the heads of the Democratic and Socialist parties suggesting a three-party conference to exchange ideas and arrive at mutual understanding regarding a non-partisan foreign policy for Japan.

Mr. Shidehara asked that foreign policy issues be not used for domestic political purposes. Japanese political circles disapproved the sincerity of the Liberal Party's approach, pointing out that the Government was angling for support from the opposition during the forthcoming extraordinary session of the Diet.

It was recalled that the Liberal Party suddenly took active interest in the "supra-party foreign policy issue" immediately prior to convening of the special Diet session early this summer with an identical aim.—Reuter.

## Call-up In US

Washington, Nov. 14. The United States Army today announced a call for 40,000 conscripts in January. This brings the total request to 250,000 since the war in Korea began. The Navy and Air Force continue to depend on volunteers.—Reuter.

## France Ready To Talk But Not On Russian Terms

Paris, Nov. 14. The French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, told the French National Assembly today that France was ready to talk with Russia but not about Germany alone and not on the basis of the Prague declaration.

"The French Government is favourable to the principle of a meeting which would permit the restoration of direct contact between the representatives of the United States, of Great Britain and our own representatives with the representatives of the Soviet Government," he said. "I must say that the reference to the Prague declaration contained in the invitation from the USSR, which has been addressed to us, appears to us disturbing. It is best to say at once that this Prague declaration offers no basis of discussion."

"Moreover, we do not think that the proposed meeting has serious chances of leading us to the slackening of tension which we wish for if its object remains to the sole question of Germany."

The agenda of the conference would have to be wider than the Soviet Government proposes and that agenda should include at least other international difficulties.

## Calculated Brutality

### By Bulgaria

Washington, Nov. 14. The Washington Post, in an editorial today, declared that the Bulgarian demands for the forced migration of Turkish nationals was a "deliberate and calculated brutality—to embarrass the Turkish Government by thrusting upon it a mass of human beings without affording it any opportunity to prepare for their maintenance."

It added that, moreover, the demand appears to be an indirect violation of the treaty governing migration between the two countries which laid down the principle that no obstacles should be raised against mutual migration of Bulgars and Turks.

The Post said also that the Turkish protest that it needs time to prepare for the mass entry of persons "is unlikely to make much impression on a neighbour which has shown scant regard for the niceties of treaty obligations."—United Press.

M. Schuman also said, "France is ready to associate herself with any initiative tending to dissipate the causes of misunderstanding among peoples."

"It goes without saying that this concern is in no way irreconcilable with the care we have to organise our defence within the framework of the Atlantic Pact."

"So long as the peaceful initiatives to which we give our full support has not reached indisputable results this effort must be and will be completely pursued."

## ISOLATION

M. Schuman said that Russia had followed a policy of complete isolation in her zone of Germany since 1945.

"In the series of unilateral actions of the U.S.S.R.," M. Schuman added, "the most serious in our eyes is that which led to the creation of a militarised police presenting all the aspects of a strong German national army."

M. Schuman further said that France did not think that German questions could be "examined in isolation."—Reuter.

## Unashamed Spy

Haifa, Nov. 14. The Haifa District Court today sentenced Shaoukat Sheilabi, a 20-year-old Arab, to seven years' imprisonment for "preparing and attempting the collection of information prejudicial to national defence."

Before sentence was passed the accused man was reported to have admitted proudly that he was engaged in espionage for the Arab Legion. The hearing was held behind closed doors.—Reuter.

## UN's Banner For Korea



At London Airport the UN flag was presented to General Sir G. Ivor Thomas, the Quartermaster-General, from the United Nations Association. Here Sir Ivor is seen handing the banner to Captain D. Miller, skipper of the BOAC Speedbird which flew the flag to Korea via Tokyo. At right is Miss K. D. Courtney CBE, Joint President and Chairman of the United Nations Association.

## Huge Sum Needed For Development In The Far East

New York, Nov. 14. Asia will need about \$1,000 million of foreign capital a year over the next five to six years to meet essential requirements of economic development.

Dr P. S. Lokanathan, the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East said this to the New York Journal of Commerce today.

The \$1,000 million a year rate, Dr Lokanathan said, was of manageable size, well within the capacity of the United States and European countries to invest.

Dr Lokanathan believed the bulk of the investment should come from Government and international lending agencies. However, he emphasised that private capital should not be excluded in developing Asiatic countries, but present conditions limited the possibilities for private investment, making it necessary to place major reliance on Government funds.

Dr Lokanathan said that Asiatic countries feel that the aid they are now receiving from abroad is inadequate.

**LACK OF POLICY**  
They are also dissatisfied with the lack of any general policy in the United States and other foreign countries on the question of assistance.

The American Point Four programme of technical assistance to underdeveloped countries, he said, touched only the fringe of the problem and must be accompanied by an overall investment programme.

Dr Lokanathan said that his \$1,000 million estimate also

## Seretse Khama Distressed

London, Nov. 14. Seretse Khama confirmed today that he had signed an agreement with his uncle, the ex-Regent, Tsehekedi, renouncing their own and their children's claims to the Bamangwato tribal chieftainship.

But in an interview with Reuter, the exiled Bamangwato chief-designate said that he was most distressed by his uncle's premature announcement of the agreement, which they signed at Lobatse last August 18.

He said that they had "a gentleman's agreement" that news of the pact would not be made public until they could release it together.

Seretse is living in London with his English wife, Ruth, and their seven-month-old daughter, Jacqueline. The British Government had banned the Seretse

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## Britain's Warning To Egypt

London, Nov. 14.

British officials here refuse to admit the possibility that Egypt is able formally to denounce and abrogate the 1936 Anglo-Egyptian Alliance and to take measures to secure the eviction of the British troops in the Canal Zone.

The Foreign Office spokesman has repeatedly pointed out that the Treaty does not provide for unilateral abrogation by either Government until after the initial 20-year period is completed.

Egyptian statements that the Treaty is considered no longer valid have been disregarded by Britain in part on the ground that it is not credible that Egypt will fail to honour its international undertakings.

At the same time it is pointed out here that Britain remains ready and willing to modify by agreement and before the time laid down in the Treaty the existing terms so as to give satisfaction to Egypt's national aspirations. But any change, it is maintained, must be by agreement.

The only path to an understanding is seen here as the resumption and painstaking continuation of negotiations, even though they may have failed in the past.

## NOT COMPATIBLE

The belief in diplomatic quarters here that Egypt would like to be accepted as a power associated with the Atlantic Pact members in the defence of the Eastern basin of the Mediterranean in the same way as Greece and Turkey is considered to be not compatible with the threats to denounce an existing treaty.

The Atlantic community, it is felt, could scarcely consider associating with it a country which has not proved dependable in its international dealings.

At Lake Success, high diplomatic sources here said on Monday that King Farouk would rescind the treaty in his speech from the Throne at the inauguration of the Egyptian parliament later this week and would regard British troops stationed thereafter in the Suez Canal zone as "enemy forces."

A British official said: "We can't say yes or no on that report. If Egypt plans such action, we have not heard of it."—Reuter and United Press.

## Tokyo Court Sentences A Foreigner

Tokyo, Nov. 14.

An Iranian seaman, Abbas D. Poor, became the first foreigner to be sentenced by a Japanese court after General MacArthur gave back criminal jurisdiction over United Nations to Japanese courts beginning on November 1, according to the Kyodo news agency.

Poor was arrested by the military authorities on November 1 for being in Japan without a legal permit.

The military authorities turned him over to the Japanese who indicted him for violation of the Foreigners' Registration Ordinance.

Poor was given two months in jail for illegal entry into Japan.

He failed to sail on the s.s. Iran of which he was a crew member when the vessel left a Japanese port on October 27.

At the time of Poor's indictment, the Kyodo news agency reported that he was ordered to be deported by Japanese authorities.—Reuter.

Khama and Tsehekedi from the Bamangwato tribal reserve, forming a tribal feud following Seretse's marriage to the London typist, Ruth Williams.—Reuter.

## Boy Aged 4 Politically Undesirable

New York, Nov. 14.

Thomas Sabben, aged four, declared a political undesirable by the Dutch so that he could be reunited with his family, arrived with them today by ship.

Thomas' troubles began in 1940 when his father, aged 32, was dismissed from the Czech Ministry of Industry for "political reasons." Father, mother and a daughter, aged five, fled to Germany while Thomas was struggling into Holland to live with friends.

Father got a job with the International Refugee Organization in Munich, but when he tried to bring his son from Holland he was told that this could only be done if a person was expelled.

Disappointed, Sabben fled to the Netherlands, where he

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## Mary Garden Turns Talent Scout

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Mary Garden, whose beautiful soprano voice charmed the world's opera audiences during three decades, is back in opera again. This time it is a talent scout to find "two or three young, potentially great, American singers," says a Paris dispatch.

The blue-eyed Scotswoman visited Paris to select some clothes before leaving for America, where she will tour 12 cities and hear some of the candidates for scholarships offered by the National Arts Foundation of New York.

Before retiring in Chicago in 1930, Miss Garden sang 23 roles in 30 years and created 14 famous parts, including Louisa at its 1900 Paris premiere, then Salome and Melisande.

Slim and vivacious in a dark-blue tailored suit, she, called a reporter "a dreadful man" for asking her age.

"I am as old as I look; how

old do you think that is?" she asked.

The editors of Who's Who probably have never seen Miss Garden. They list her birth date as Feb. 7, 1877, in Aberdeen, making her 73.

She was full of enthusiasm for her new job and for American opera, which she said is "just beginning to get interesting."

"With the mixture of peoples in America, there must be great voices there. If we can find two or even three fine young singers, we shall give them three-year scholarships in Europe and let them decide whether they want to study in France, Italy or Germany."

"First they must study the language, then voice, and after three years they will have a European debut. Then they will return to America."

Her audition tour will begin in Boston. Later she will visit Chicago, San Francisco and several midwestern university open workshops. Arrangements have been made for winners to sing in the Berlin Opera House and in Milan's La Scala.

NO MORE CARUSOS

"Your Dorothy Kirsten will be a great opera singer some day if she sticks to it and comes to Europe," Miss Garden said. "Another American with a lovely voice is Nancy Carr of Chicago. Two beautiful European voices I have heard are Victoria de Los Angeles of Barcelona and Elisabeth Schwarzkopf of Vienna."

"But there aren't any more Carusos. There's only Kirsten Flagstad."

How about Margaret Truman?

"I've never heard her sing, but I admire her for not staying at home," Miss Garden replied.

"I've never heard President Truman play the piano either, but I approve of everyone playing the piano—if he knows how to play."—United Press.

## 'Ghost' Ration Cards

"Ghost" ration cards in Bombay numbering 90,000 have accounted for a loss to the state government over 4,300 tons of food grains a year, the Civil Supplies Department announced.

Rationing officials recently discovered two extra ration cards made out in the names of two pet dogs belonging to a film actress.

A Pathan with 31 ration cards in his name which he had registered at various ration shops in the city was recently arrested by the police.

## "Gentleman's Agreement"

The young wife, Mme. Josette B., of a French lawyer, recently asked a Paris court to end a contract signed with her husband under which, it was alleged, she was forced to tolerate her husband's association with a Persian woman.

She said that the evening before their marriage her husband told her that his former mistress had threatened to cause a scandal in church. So he had "come to a gentleman's agreement" to divide his married life, equally between them.

At the wedding next day the mistress was in the front pew. Then, after her short honeymoon, upon one half of the week he lived with his wife. The other half he used to say, "I know where I am if anyone wants me."

## NEW EVIDENCE

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LISBON

THE Portuguese will contend that Christopher Columbus discovered America, from all the evidence.

That is in spite of the opinion of R. Davies, professor of Geography at the University of Exeter, England, that it was Fernao Dulmo.

At the British Association meeting in Birmingham, Prof. Davies announced his theory that Dulmo, a Portuguese captain, discovered the mainland of America.

His claim was read here with great curiosity, but historians and geographers say it was discussed in Portugal long ago. No decision could be reached, because many documents are missing.

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## Sitting on the Fence....

NATHANIEL GUBBINS

It will be a hard winter. It will be a mild winter. —Opinions of two weather experts.

Power cuts will be in force until the end of January. —Ministry of Fuel.

If winds blow east, or winds blow west, Oh, what, dear friends, care we?

We have no cares, we have fair shares.

We have austerity; The sun may shine, the frost may bite.

And snow may foul the way; We'll all have queues and jobs from owes.

And power cuts each day.

If winds blow east, or winds blow west, Don't worry, friends, don't whine.

When all the coal, down every hole,

Is gone, my friend, and is nine;

When every railway coach is yours,

And all the dirt that's in it, The heat they cut, is yours, you multi—

Enjoy each frozen minute.

If winds blow east, or winds blow west,

Oh, what, dear friends, care we?

If cuts give flu to me and you, —At least the cure is free;

An if not cured and we get worse.

My friends, don't fret, don't fuss. My dear old pals, the hospitals They all belong to us.

## At the Town Hall

OH, there you are, Mrs. Er-rum-er-rum. I've forgotten your name again, but it's nice to see you're a stalwart of the Civil Defence, I'm sure.

And I've forgotten your name, too, Mrs. Er-rum-er-rum. Who's going to be your lecturer tonight?

I think it's Mr. Er-rum-er-rum who took us through blast last week and is taking us through fire tonight. He's one of the unpaid lecturers, of course, and quite the gentleman.

One of the middle classes the Government despises so much, I suppose? I've always said the middle classes are the first to volunteer, though I expect there would have been more here. If they hadn't been here, is that Mrs. Er-rum-er-rum? Over there talking to Mrs. Er-rum-er-rum?

Oh, no, that's Mrs. Um. Mrs. Rum-er-rum. And she's not talking to Mrs. Er-rum-er-rum but to that charming old Irish lady, Mrs. O'Something or Other, who wants to drive our fire engine.

You mean the one who's husband was the King of Munster and starred in a mortgaged castle?

Oh, no. That was Mrs. O'Something else. Well, I suppose we'd better take our seats now. Have you brought your note book, Mrs. Um?

Mrs. Er-rum-er-rum. Yes, but I've forgotten my pencil.

That's a funny thing. I've brought my pencil and forgotten my note book.

Then perhaps you'd like to borrow my note book and make notes for both of us with your pencil?

I would if I hadn't forgotten to bring my reading glasses, Mrs. Um. Mrs. Er-rum-er-rum. So have I Mrs. Rum-er-rum.

Oh, well, we shall just have to rely on our memories, won't we, Mrs. Er-rum-er-rum? Mrs. Um-er-rum. Mrs. Thing?

## How to live long

An American health doctor, surprised at the number of elderly people still hale and hearty in the rural districts of England despite poor food, asked one of them what had always been his favourite meal. The reply was pickled pork.

DID you say you are 101 years old, Mr. Gargle?

Yes, I have had a day's sickness in your life?

Not ill we ad the National Earth.

Perhaps the secret of your long, healthy life is that you drink plenty of water?

He? I said maybe you drink a lot of water?

Water? Or never drink water. Why not, Mr. Gargle?

Men are doled of it. O.K., Mr. Gargle. Let's ask it. And I hope you enjoy your supper. Pickled pork again?

Ah, and plenty on it. —(London Express Service)

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# WOMANSENSE

**Your Home:**

## That squeak on the floor— how to silence it

By **BOB SCHARFF**

**DOES** your floor squeak?  
Usually this means loose  
boards in either the subflooring  
or the finish flooring.

Careful examination of the  
floor where the squeaking oc-  
curs will usually reveal the  
fault. If a single floor board  
moves when weight is applied  
and released, you have only the  
finish floor board to work on,  
but if two or three together  
move slightly, then the sub-  
flooring is loose.

When the finish floor is to  
be replaced, drive a few carefully-  
placed 3/4-inch screws through

the subfloor and into the loose  
top boards.

If the loose boards are above  
a plastered ceiling, drive in  
1 1/2-inch finishing nails. Be  
careful not to split the boards.  
Set the nails with a punch and  
finish with putty. Spot on a  
touch of varnish or shellac,  
after the putty has set, to cover  
the hole.

Where movement is detected  
at the butt ends of the strips,  
a screw straddling the joint  
will pull both ends down solid-  
ly. Use a 3/4-inch, number 10  
flat head screw, in a counter-  
bored hole centered on the

joint. Counterbore just enough  
to allow the screw head to be  
hidden with wood putty. Finish  
the hole to match the floor as  
closely as possible.

If floorboards that are appar-  
ently tight squeak, locate the  
spot and drop a little penetra-  
ting oil or powdered graphite  
into the crack.

If the fault is in the sub-  
flooring of the first floor, it's  
easy to get at from the base-  
ment. Screw a hardwood cleat  
to the joist, then pull the sub-  
floor board down to it with  
long screws that carry through  
the subfloor and more than  
halfway into the top flooring.

## First Aid For Burns

By **H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.**

**TREATMENT** of deep or  
widespread burns is  
always directed at preserv-  
ing as much as possible of  
the tissue which is left. In

this connection, infection is  
the great enemy. Once  
germs become entrenched  
on the raw surface of the  
burn, they are likely to de-  
stroy more tissue than the  
original injury, thus creat-  
ing a need for a great deal  
of skin grafting to prevent  
deforming contractures  
when healing finally takes  
place.

Any preparation can be used  
in treating a burn if it does not  
destroy tissue, if it relieves and  
does not cause pain, if it does  
not interfere with tissue growth,  
and if it can be put on quickly.  
Speed is necessary in the treat-  
ment of burns.

place of the acetic acid. The  
combination of the two pre-  
parations prevents infections  
caused by fungi, which are  
yeast-like moulds, and by pus-  
producing germs.

### OTHER AREAS

In order to keep germs from  
the nearby skin areas from  
spreading onto the burned sur-  
face, these areas are also treated  
with the iodine and acetic acid.

Applying the solution does  
not cause pain. If absorbed,  
the preparations are taken up  
by the blood without causing  
damage.

Iodine has a germ-killing ac-  
tion like that of chlorine. Fur-  
thermore, iodine is not damag-  
ing to the tissues to any notable  
extent.

A plaster of Paris dressing  
should then be applied over the  
burned area. This type of dress-  
ing can be put on quickly, helps  
to relieve pain, and seals the  
wound against contamination.  
The dressing can be removed  
by wetting it with a salt solu-  
tion. Even if dry, it pulls off  
without sticking to the burned  
surface and no pain or bleeding  
results. Furthermore, such a  
dressing can easily be put on  
over the face, nose, lips, and  
ears.

Of course, in severe burns,  
quick treatment is necessary to  
prevent shock. This includes in-  
jections of whole blood into a  
vein, giving fluids either by  
mouth or injection under the  
skin, and the use of penicillin  
and other antibiotics to aid in  
preventing infections.

### BURN TREATMENT

Recently, a treatment for  
burns has been presented which  
is simple to use and seems to  
give excellent results in many  
cases. It has been employed in  
a large number of cases involv-  
ing burns of the face, eyelids,  
ears, nose, lips, neck and scalp,  
as well as on the hands, arms,  
legs, feet, and body.

In carrying out this treat-  
ment, the skin is first washed  
with a salt solution to get  
rid of superficial dirt. If neces-  
sary, any hair in the burned  
area can be removed by shaving,  
but blisters are not opened.  
After washing, a three percent  
solution of iodine in alcohol is  
applied to the burned surface  
and then wiped off with a three  
percent solution of acetic acid.  
Cider vinegar may be used in

### Walk

## Your Way To Beauty

By **HELEN FOLLETT**

Walking is an ideal exercise.  
It makes the blood stream  
march, and when they march  
they put carnation blooms in  
the cheeks, sparkle in the eyes,  
help the skin to function, lift  
the spirits. A big return for a  
small beauty investment.

### Deep Breaths

The brisk walker, who takes  
deep breaths as she strides  
along finds zest and glow in  
this form of muscular exertion.  
Her worries fly away on the  
wind. Worrying is distinctly  
an indoor diversion. Some  
women love to get the house-  
work done so they can sit down  
for a nice long spell of worry-  
ing. Others hurry through the  
dishes and the dusting, get out  
in the open, air-wash their  
lungs. They feel alive while  
the housebound lady may feel  
dull, find life pretty much of  
a bore.

### Proper Gait

When walking, place the  
foot on the ground with slightly  
more weight on the toes than  
on the heels. Point toes  
straight ahead. Carry the body  
tall, spinal column fully ex-  
tended, keep the head balanced.  
The tall pose tightens the  
muscular system, holds the  
inner organs in place where  
they belong.

Wear sensible shoes with  
heels only medium high and  
with flexible, protective leather  
soles. It is a use taking this  
form of exercise unless your  
feet are comfortable, and they  
won't be unless shoes are pre-  
cisely the right last, the right  
size, with support and no  
undue pressure anywhere.

If you would give yourself a  
complexion treatment have a  
brisk walk when the air is  
damp. Moist air and exercise  
form a beauty treatment that is  
effective, doesn't cost a cent, is  
all to the good. Walk along  
fast enough to get your skin  
glowing. When you get home  
have a shower and cream your  
complexion.

### Household Hints

How long your garden hose  
will last depends upon the care  
you give it. To clean garden  
hose, use only water—no soaps,  
detergents or wax of any kind.  
Be sure hose is drained and  
wiped clean before reeling it.  
Hang it over a reel, or rack,  
never on a nail. Never bend a  
frozen hose. Teach children  
never to ride tricycles, bicycles,  
wagons or wheelbarrows  
over the hose. When  
sprinkling, don't shut off water  
at nozzle for long periods.  
Sharp kinks can be prevented  
with swivel gooseneck connec-  
tors and snap-on couplings.

In ironing a tablecloth, to  
avoid many folds, double it  
only once lengthwise. Roll the  
ironed cloth on a large roll of  
cardboard or paper.

Scissors dipped in hot water  
or flour facilitates the cutting  
of marshmallows.

In using staples, soak  
the staples in water first.  
Low, cold water, an electric

## Your Sewing Scrapbook

by  
**Many Brooks Picken**

### Small-Fry Cover-Up



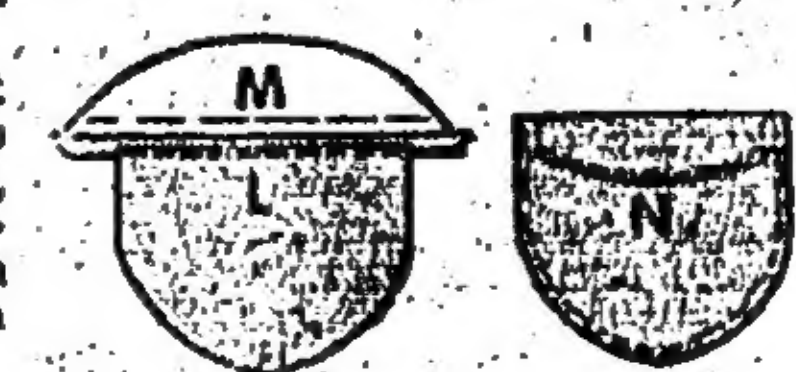
neck to waist. I is same dis-  
tance on back fold to left of A.  
J is straight up from H 6 1/2".  
K is 1" above I.

### Cut to Corners

Cut from G through J to  
right-hand corner. Cut from F  
through K to left-hand corner.  
Round the corners as dotted  
lines show.

To make pocket, take two  
pieces cut out for neckline and  
join together. Lay wrong side of  
front piece to right side of back  
piece and seam as at L.

Fold top piece over 1" above  
the 1/4" joining seam, as at M.  
Bring this over to right side,  
turn edges under and stitch, as  
at N. Clip-off points.



Turn raw edges in 1/4" around  
pocket. Baste to position, ready  
to stitch as shown.

### Blas Binding

French-seam shoulder seams.  
Using bias binding, bind neck  
edge, then outside edge of apron  
all the way around.

Tear tie strip in half. Hem  
sides and one end of both 18"  
strips with narrow hem.

Fold raw ends in half and pin  
one on either side of front at  
waistline, stitching to position  
when binding outside edge. Tie  
ends in bow at back.



## NEW SOFT TAILORING

FOR a nice compromise be-  
tween the dress that is trimly  
tailored and the dress of the  
softer, dressmaker type, we  
submit this pretty one-piece  
dress. Of charcoal gray faille,  
it has a deep, narrow slit neck-  
line topped by a tiny standing  
collar. The high-placed pockets  
are cut in one with the under-  
arm seams. A separate cum-  
merbund piped in matching  
velvet, like the pockets, circles  
the waist. The slim skirt has  
released pleats at the waist.



Charcoal gray faille frock.



Black crepe frock.

AN indispensable type of  
dress for wear all through the  
autumn and winter is this  
black rayon crepe with figure-  
flattering lines. Its surplice  
neckline with gentle folds on  
either side makes an excel-  
lent choice for the full figure.  
The side-swept drape on the  
skirt is caught with a black  
velvet rose that terminates in a  
lapped-over, cascading panel.  
The skirt is straight in back.

## Today's Dinner

Tomato Juice with Lemon  
Slices Roast Beef

Oven-Browned Potatoes  
Buttered Green Peas Rolls  
Cherry Ice Cream

Coffee, Tea or Milk

On a budget, braised rolled  
flank of beef and peach taploen  
might be substituted.  
"For sake of the budget our  
readers might purchase a 3-lb.  
piece of flank steak, and use it  
for two meals—the center part  
rolled and braised for today,  
the two end portions made into  
your rugged Orientale for  
tomorrow."

All Measurements Are Level  
Recipes Serve Four

### Braised Rolled Flank Steak

Use 2 lbs. flank steak cut as  
nearly in a square as possible.  
Dust with salt and pepper.  
Top with a half inch layer of  
any savoury bread stuffing  
roll up, and the firmly. Slow-  
brown in a heavy kettle,  
Add 1 1/2 c. boiling water and 2  
bouillon cubes or 2 envelopes  
broth powder. Cover close, and  
simmer about 2 hours, or until  
fork-tender. Remove the  
strings. Serve with gravy.

### The Chef's Ragout Orientale

Cut a 3-lb. flank into sho-  
string strips. Stir in 2 tsp.  
cornstarch, 1/4 tsp. salt and 1/4  
tsp. pepper for kitchen  
ragout. Add 2 tsp. butter  
or oil, and the firmly. Slow-  
brown in a heavy kettle,  
Add 1 1/2 c. boiling water and  
2 bouillon cubes or 2 envelopes  
broth powder. Cover close, and  
simmer about 2 hours, or until  
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## DESPERATE POSITION IN MEDITERRANEAN

By

Winston Churchill

Gen. Auchinleck had intended to continue his desert offensive in February 1942, but in January Rommel recaptured Benghazi, with its stores, and drove the Eighth Army back nearly 300 miles. Loss of forward airfields in Cyrenaica now made it impossible to protect convoys for Malta, and by April the Navy was unable to use the island as a base.

From February onwards Mr Churchill urged upon the Cabinet a resumption of the westward offensive. Gen. Auchinleck declined an invitation to go home in March for consultation. His unwillingness to advance his time-table was unaffected by pressure brought in Cairo by Sir Stafford Cripps (on his way to India) and Gen. Nye, Vice-Chief of the Imperial General Staff.

efforts to pour all available reinforcements into Egypt. It is therefore, imperative to take Malta as soon as possible and to launch an offensive against the Suez Canal not later than 1942....

As a weaker alternative he suggested: If Axis troops do not occupy Malta, it is imperative that the German Air Force continues its attacks on the island to the same extent as heretofore. Such attacks alone will prevent the enemy from rebuilding Malta's offensive and defensive capacity.

Hitler and his military advisers did not relish the plan of a seaborne assault. The Fuehrer had only recently given orders for the final cancellation of the long-term plans for the invasion of England, which had dragged on since 1940. The slaughter of his cherished airborne troops in Crete a year before was a deterrent factor. It was, however, agreed at this time that Malta should be captured, and that German forces should participate. Hitler had reservations, and continued to hope that the attacks of the Luftwaffe would bring about capitulation, or at least paralyse the defence and its activities.

We tried to run supplies through to Malta from the east. Four ships were successful. In January, but the February convoy of three ships met disaster by air attack. In March the cruiser Nalad, wearing Admiral Vian's flag, was sunk by a U-boat. By May the island would be in danger of famine.

### Rommel Planning

[During April and May British and American aircraft-carriers delivered 126 aircraft to Malta, but attempts to run convoys to the island in June resulted in only two out of 17 supply ships arriving, despite severe losses by the Navy and R.A.F.]

Meanwhile Rommel was planning his offensive. About the timing, he said, "The Panzer

Army is to attack as soon as possible after the capture of Malta. If the operations against Malta should extend beyond June 1, it may be necessary for the Army to attack without waiting for the capture of the island." His plan of April 30 reckoned to destroy the British forces in the field by the evening of the second day, after which Tobruk was to be captured by a surprise attack.

Rommel's intentions may be contrasted with General Auchinleck's, who presently sent a telegram in which he offered to stand on the defensive in the Desert, and send considerable reinforcements to India. This was entirely contrary to our ideas.

### Right to attack

Soon there arrived another telegram from General Auchinleck seeking further to postpone the engagement of his army. I referred this to all my colleagues, military and political.

Prime Minister to General Auchinleck.

8 May, '42. The Chiefs of Staff, the Defence Committee, and the War Cabinet have all earnestly considered your telegram in relation to the whole war situation, having particular regard to Malta, the loss of which would be a disaster of first magnitude to the British Empire, and probably fatal in the long run to the defence of the Nile Valley.

We are agreed that, in spite of the risks you mention, you would be right to attack the enemy and fight a major battle, if possible during May, and the sooner the better. We are prepared to take full responsibility for these general

directions, leaving you the necessary latitude for their execution. In this you will no doubt have regard to the fact that the enemy may himself be planning to attack you early in June.

As a result of these hard discussions it was decided to send General Auchinleck detailed orders which he must obey, or follow. This was a most unusual procedure on our part towards a high military Commander.

### Latest date

Prime Minister to General Auchinleck.

10 May, '42. The Chiefs of Staff, the Defence Committee, and the War Cabinet have again considered the whole position. We are determined that Malta shall not be allowed to fall without a battle being fought by your whole army for its retention. The starving out of this fortress would involve the surrender of over 30,000 men, Army and Air Force, together with several hundred guns.

Its possession would give the enemy a clear and sure bridge to Africa, with all the consequences flowing from that. Its loss would sever the air route upon which both you and India must depend for a substantial part of your aircraft reinforcements. Besides this, it would compromise any offensive against Italy and future plans such as "Acrobats" [the advance into Tripoli] and "Gymnast" [occupation of French North Africa]. Compared with the certainty of these disasters, we consider the risks you have set out to the safety of Egypt are definitely less, and we accept them.

We therefore reiterate the views we have expressed, with this qualification—that the very latest date for engaging the enemy which we could approve is one which provides a distraction in time to help the passage of the June dark-period convoy.

### Answer Came

There was a considerable pause, during which we did not know whether he would accept or resign. At length his answer came.

General Auchinleck to Prime Minister.

19 May, '42. My intention is to carry out the instructions of your message of May 10. I am assuming that [your telegram] is not meant to imply that all that is required is an operation solely to provide a distraction to help the Malta convoy, but that the primary object of an offensive in Libya is still to be the destruction of the enemy forces in Cyrenaica as a step toward the eventual expulsion of the enemy from Libya. If I am wrong in this assumption, then I should be so informed at once, as plans for a major offensive differ entirely from those designed merely to produce a distraction. I am proceeding on the assumption that I am right.

### Major offensive

Assuming that a major offensive is to be carried out but that its inception must be so timed as to provide a distraction to help the Malta convoy, the actual moment of the launching of the offensive will be governed by three considerations—first, the sailing date of the convoy; second, enemy action between now and then; third, the relative air strength of the enemy and ourselves. All these are under close and continuous examination here.

There are strong signs that the enemy intends to attack us in the immediate future. If he does attack, our future action must be governed by the results of the battle and cannot be forecast now.

Assuming that the enemy does not attack us first, it is my intention that General Ritchie shall launch his offensive in Libya on the date which will best suit the timing of the Malta convoy, and that the necessary preparations for the Malta convoy will be completed by the time the offensive is launched.

### Welcome

A MANPOWER Committee set up right away could produce the evidence to prove my case. In this for the New Year.

Something like a million men would be needed to produce a good army of your own. I am sure you will find this a good idea.

THE interrelation between Malta and the Desert operations was never so plain in 1942, and the heroic defence of the island in that year formed the keystone of the prolonged struggle for the maintenance of our position in Egypt and the East. In the bitter fighting in the West-Desert the outcome of the phase was measured in a hand's-breadth, and frequently depended on the supplies which the combatants by

ourselves this meant the three months' voyage to the Cape, subject to all perils of the U-boats, and employment of enormous numbers of high-class ships. For the enemy there was the two- or three-day passage across the Mediterranean from Italy, involving the use of a moderate number of smaller ships. But seaward routes to Tripoli lay the fortress of Malta.

1942 the air attack on the island mounted and the plight of the island became

desperate. In January, while Rommel's counter-offensive prospered, Kesselring struck chiefly at the Malta airfields. Under German pressure, the Italian Navy used battleships to support their Tripoli convoys. The Mediterranean Fleet, stricken as has been described, could offer only a limited challenge to these movements. Our submarines and air forces from Malta continued, however, to take their toll.

### Raeder Urges

In February Admiral Raeder, whose reputation at that time stood high, sought to convince Hitler of the importance of decisive victory in the Mediterranean. The intervention of the Germans in North Africa and the Mediterranean, which had begun as a purely defensive measure to save their weak ally from defeat, was now viewed in a new light as an aggressive means of destroying British power in the Middle East. Admiral Raeder insisted that Malta was the key, and urged the immediate preparation of transports for its storm.

The favourable situation in the Mediterranean, as pronounced at the present time, will probably never occur again. All reports confirm that the enemy is making tremendous

## THE CHOICE: THIRTY MEN—OR ONE TANK

BY ROBERT JESSEL

BOYS who were six at the time of Munich make up the 1932 age which is being called to uniform this year.

This conscription is so unfair," Mrs E. M. well writes to me from Aberlath-road, Swindon.

She tells me of a 19-year-old who wants to be a singer, is, she says, "quite natural-averse to military ideas," is the only boy in the to be called up. The have escaped.

Mr Ockwell wonders if this of thing encourages to develop their children's talents.

### The figures

OK at the official figures. of every hundred boys in 1932 age class:—

ELVD are exempted away on medical

EVEN get off because are farm workers or

VENTY-SIX are "deferred" students or apprentices. Mr Strachey does not it worth while to interfere their essential training, or they will be called up. Industry will have to the boy of it.)

others get off because are conscientious objectors, going to live in Australia or on compassionate grounds, the like.

will leave 40 out of 100 in the 1932 age, Mr Ockwell says. But on uniform, and 30 into the Army.

### The system

HAVE looked into the system of the Labour Party's call-up. It is not a good one. The Labour Party's call-up is not a good one. The Labour Party's call-up is not a good one.

Isaac asks us to believe, a model of "universality."

Having gone so far to make the call-up selective, and not universal, ought we to go further and call up still fewer men? And, inevitably, cause more heartburning?

The point is this: Are we satisfied that the Army really needs all of 180,000 conscripts to reinforce the 190,000 Regulars already serving?

### The intake

LOOK at it another way.

If Mr Strachey has £30,000 to spend, ought he to spend it on one new Centurion tank, OR on calling up and training for two years 30 slightly recent soldiers?

Might not some of these 30—perhaps a dozen of them—be doing much more to help the nation if, instead, they were sent to join the 250,000 workers needed by Mr Isaac for his rearmament programme?

If we could wrinkle out this dozen and maybe cut the Army's intake by a third, couldn't Mr Strachey select a third of his Regulars from the blots of training machinery for operational theatres where National Servicemen are now being sent?

### Lost jobs

THE time is long overdue for Parliament to set up a Select Committee on Manpower to study this whole question of call-up.

What is wanted is something on the same lines as the Select Committee on Expenditure. Its duty should be to report on the implications of calling up the young soldier from Cumber-land, the land-rover, Swindon, and the rest of the 1932 age class, and to report on the implications of calling up the young soldier from Cumber-land, the land-rover, Swindon, and the rest of the 1932 age class.

A farmer writes to me from the East of England, saying that his

17½-year-old boy, who won scholarships at school, has lost his job as a junior clerk because of his impending call-up.

No one else will give a job to a boy who will be off to the Army in nine months, and the lad is unemployed. There must be many others in a similar position.

My Select Committee on Manpower would therefore start by examining the various reasons which the Government has advanced since 1945 for having the call-up at all.

First, we were told, it was to release the wartime veterans straining to be demobilised.

By 1947 it was to build up a trained reserve in the Territories.

By 1948 the purpose of the call-up was "to put heart into the French."

### 25-hour week

AND now? It is because Regular Army recruiting has been so poor that conscripts are needed in operational theatres.

It is time for Mrs Ockwell's boy to be given a more satisfactory reason why he must not be a singer until 1952.

My Manpower Committee would, I think, certainly report that some sort of conscription will be necessary for many years to come. It will be a long, long time before there are 250,000 Regulars in the Army.

That does not mean, however, that we necessarily need today's Army of 270,000 to produce Mr Atlee's target force of ten divisions, and a modest component of A.C.A.

Many of the jobs done by the Army's orderlies, for example, can be done by the R.A.C. and the R.A.F.

Corps, could for example, be easily done by full or part time civilian labour.

Take away all those parades and inspections for troops in the non-fighting arms, and not many conscripts would be found working a 25-hour productive week.

### Many work hard

A GREAT many men in the Services work very hard indeed. My Select Committee would be interested in those who don't. A visit for the committee might be arranged to the gunner regiment at Larkhill, which is so stretched, so starved of manpower, that it has had to recall some reservists from civilian life.

Yet it contrives to give seven weeks' holiday a year to its Regulars.

The committee would specially be interested in what has happened to the half million ex-conscripts who have passed through Mr Strachey's sausage machine since 1945.

How many of them could report tomorrow to a known job in a known regiment on receipt of an order broadcast after the 9 o'clock news tonight?

My investigations suggest that the reserves I have listed, plus the Class 2 reserve, plus the Regular Reservists, already provide the War Office with twice as many men as the Army could digest and equip with modern arms in the first year of a future World War III.

Something like a million men would be needed to produce a good army of your own. I am sure you will find this a good idea.

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a certain degree of compromise which it will be my responsibility in consultation with the other Commanders-in-Chief, to determine. The importance of avoiding an abortive attack has already been fully set out [by us] and does not need further explanation from me. . . . I replied at once:

Prime Minister to General Auchinleck.

20 May, '42. Your interpretation of the instructions contained in mine of May 10 is absolutely correct. We feel that the time has come for a trial of strength in Cyrenaica, and that the survival of Malta is involved.

Of course we realise that success cannot be guaranteed. There are no safe battles. But whether this one arises from an enemy attack and your forestalling or manoeuvring counterstroke, or whether it has to be undertaken by you on its own, we have full confidence in you and your glorious army, and whatever happens we will sustain you by every means in our power.

I should personally feel even greater confidence if you took direct command yourself, as in fact you had to do at Sidi Rezegh. On this, however, I do not press you in any way.

Ought not the New Zealand Division to be nearer the battlefield? If you want any help in dealing with the New Zealand Government pray recur to me.

### Not Accepted

These two last suggestions were not accepted by General Auchinleck. He gave his reasons. We shall see how the General was forced by events to take both these steps. But, also, too late!

General Auchinleck to Prime Minister.

22 May, '42. I am now absolutely clear as to my task and I will do my utmost to accomplish it to your satisfaction.

Am most grateful for your most generous expression of confidence in the army I command and in myself, and for the assurance of your support, the measure of which has been proved to us so often and so amply in the past.

Much as I would like to take command personally in Libya, I feel it would not be the right course to pursue. I have considered the possibility most carefully, and have concluded that it would be most difficult for me to keep a right sense of proportion if I became immersed in tactical problems in Libya. I feel that a situation may arise almost at any time when I shall have to decide whether I can continue to take command and sustain the Eighth Army without serious hindrance, or whether I must hold back and consider the building up of our northern front, which I am now weakening in order to give General Ritchie all the help possible.

On balance I think my place is here, but you can rely on me, I hope, to adapt myself to the situation and to take hold if need arises. I am in very close touch with General Ritchie, and he is fully in my mind. I hope all will be well.

Once more I thank you for your most sustaining message. There will be hard fighting, as there was before. I have great confidence in our troops and in our dispositions. I have a firm hope of victory, and pray that it may lead to greater things.

### Celebrated tale

I have often tried to set down the strategic truths I have comprehended in the form of simple anecdotes, and they rank this way in my mind. One of them is the celebrated tale of the man who gave the powder to the bear. He mixes the powder with the greatest care, making sure that not only the ingredients, but the proportions were absolutely correct. He rolled it up in a large paper spill, and was about to blow it down the bear's throat. But the bear blew first.

If I venture to set this down at this moment in my story it is because I am reminded by the words of Socrates. "The genius of Tragedy and Comedy are essentially the same, and they should be written by the same authors."

Erskine, Ockwell, Ritchie, and I have all been in the same boat, and I am sure you will find this a good idea.



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There are 10 races on the 1st Day and 8 races on the 2nd Day (18 in all).

Through tickets for the Second Day at \$10.00 each may be obtained at the Comptroller Office of the Treasurers, 1st floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial Cup" scheduled to be run on 28th February, 1951.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Offices at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch offices at—  
5, D'Almeida Street, Hong Kong  
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## DEATHS

XAVIER—Emilia Jorge Alvarez—beloved mother of John and Alfred Alvarez and Leonard Xavier, passed away on November 14th, 1950, at 6 a.m. at 33 Menden Avenue Kowloon. Age 71. The cortege will leave the 11th Floor, Parlor at 4.45 p.m. and will pass the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day Wednesday. Macao papers please copy.

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PETER WILSON tells how the skating business is turning away from the sporting scene towards the theatrical

## ICE HOCKEY MEN GET CHORUS JOBS

Ice hockey, that most outlandish of all sports foisted on a long-suffering public—which stands for all-in wrestling, "feinting" footballers, and other marvels of nature—is going through a pretty rough period in London, considering the fact that at none of the three biggest arenas will a game be played over the Christmas period.

Wembley and Empress Hall will have ice shows; Harringay will have a circus—although that, perhaps, isn't so much of a change!

Recently I had cause to write that "professionalised athleticism in turning more and more into show business with muscles." And that's certainly true of the skating business, which is turning more and more towards the theatrical and away from the sporting scene.

In fact, a lot of young ice-hockey players who failed to make the grade in the game are doing "very nicely thank you"

as chorus boys in the big £50,000 shows.

Add a lot of girls are now skating their legs off, ostensibly to win amateur titles, but in reality spurred on by the way the ice has turned into white gold for such characters as Cecilia Colledge, Dorothy Walker, and, of course, Barbara Ann Scott.

Gradually, I feel the trend will increase. Wembley, for so many years strictly the sports centre of the Empire, has in the last 12 months put on two versions of the million-dollar American roller skating show as well as Buster Crabbe's Aquacade (with the Olympic diving champion, Vicki Draves). Now they are preparing for an ice pantomime.

Belita—who as Belita Jepson-Turner was a pretty good amateur skater and swimmer—has cashed in on both these pursuits in stage shows and on the films. But then Belita has looks which do your eyes more good than National Health spectacles to supplement her natural grace and ability.

That, of course, is the secret of the swing away from "penny plain" sport—the introduction of feminine charm into a sporting setting.

SCHOOLGIRL FANS With the exception of an occasional phenomenon like "Babe" Blanka-Zaharias there are few straightforward women athletes who can pack the larger sports centres.

For instance, despite the lawn tennis virtuosity of Margaret Du Pont and Louise Brough, the bulk of the crowd at last summer's Wightman Cup match was made up of schoolgirls.

But get Gussie Moran, and when "in pants" swings into action the crowds cheer—even though, as I write, I have in front of me the report of her eighth match against Mrs. Suzanne Beiz Addie, which Mrs. Addie won pretty easily, as she had the previous seven.

Is there a moral in all this? I don't know. Personally I prefer my sport without trimmings—even lace ones—but there's no doubt that showmanship and the big time impresario have come to stay and that the sports star of the future may have to be as much actor as athlete.

BERGMANN CASE What a pity it is that at a time when we have so few world champions one of the most remarkable Austrian-born British-naturalised Richard Bergmann—could have played himself, at least temporarily, out of table tennis.

When I saw Bergmann win the world championship in Budapest some nine months ago he told me he expected to make over £2,000 out of it. I very much doubt whether he's got a fraction of that for first, he played abroad without the sanction of the English Table Tennis Association.

Then, he continued to play while under suspension. Now the executive committee has refused his entry for the English Open championships.

Bergmann has developed a game of defensive genius. It's a pity that he hasn't used the knowledge which every champion should have—that you just can't defy a sane and sensible ruling body.

(London Express Service)

## Badminton League

V.R.C. beat Revere in the Men's Doubles "C" Division by seven sets to two.

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## GREETING FROM "THE DON"



## MCC FAIL IN BID TO RACE THE CLOCK

Sydney, Nov. 14. The MCC made an attempt to get 311 runs for a victory in two and three quarter hours against New South Wales on the final day of their match here today, but they were always behind the clock and the game was drawn.

When rain and bad light stopped play for the day an hour and a quarter before time, the MCC had scored 148 for two wickets in their second innings and still required 168 runs.

New South Wales declared their second innings closed at 140 for two wickets after they had gained a first innings lead of 170.

In the first innings, the MCC scored 339 in reply to NSW's total of 509 for three declared.

The MCC had to score about two runs a minute to gain a victory when NSW declared their second innings closed.

Len Hutton and Cyril Washbrook appeared determined to try and get the runs if at all possible. All went well until the total reached 34 in just over 20 minutes when Hutton was deceived by a late off-swing from Lindwall which he edged to James in the gully.

Simpson having scored 32 at one a minute appeared to have settled down when he lifted a long hop from Johnston high to long-on where Burke raced round the boundary and brought off a good catch.

When Compton joined Washbrook 224 runs were required to win in 105 minutes. In spite of very bad light before a gathering storm the batsmen still made an attempt to score quickly.

Compton was in a most adventurous mood, tantalising the bowlers by going down the pitch before they released the ball and varying big hits with stolen singles.

They had added 56 when rain began to fall and it was not long before the match was abandoned as a draw. Washbrook hit four fours in his 53 not out, while Compton scored 34 not out.

In the morning Moroney and Burke had continued the New South Wales innings. They had scored 90 without being parted at lunch but without addition to the score, Moroney fell a victim to Compton for 53.

Two runs later Ron James was dismissed for a "duck" and shortly afterwards Arthur Morris declared.

Jim Burke, who scored 80 not out in the first innings, played another sound innings and this time made 60 not out.—Router.

## CLUB SOCCER TEAMS

The following will represent Hongkong Football Club 1st XI against Kowloon Motor Bus on Saturday, November 18, at Club ground (4.15 p.m.):

Mackenzie, E. Smith, Mullen, Forrow, York, Blackford, A. Smith, McLoughlin, Gardner, A. MacDonald, E. Fowler, Devlin and F. Fowler.

Club's Second Eleven against South China the same day (2.45 p.m.) will be: Cation, A. MacDonald, Urquhart, Gledhill, Marie, Strang, Van Tuijler, Grey, Daniels, Sheridan and Boyer.

Reserves: Barker and Barclay.

## THE GAMBOLS



## Bogey Pool Winners At Fanling

Winners of the Bogey Pool played at Fanling last week-end over the Old and New Courses were N. J. Whelan (9), who returned a net score of 71, and P. J. Hume (10), who returned a net score of 67, making him three-up respectively.

# All The Football Internationals Should Be Played In May

Says IVAN SHARPE

The time has come to say that the football season should be extended, so that all international matches can be played in May.

What, again? Extended again? Yes, make May "International Month," the extension to be for international matches only. There would be much good football and no harm to cricket.

There is dissatisfaction today, with clubs like Newcastle United and Manchester City, challengers for championships, saying all internationals should be played mid-week; and with Wales threatening to ask compulsory release by all clubs at all times of all play desired.

There is dissatisfaction because England made such a mess of things at Rio in the World Cup.

There is dissatisfaction because Ireland are now weakened through the split with Eire, and have now surrendered as many as 27 goals in their last four games against England and Scotland.

ONLY A GAME I suggest also that England, Scotland and Wales should get together and make a united effort to bring international football in Ireland under one banner. It works all right in the Rugby Union code.

The trouble with professional football is that so many people are apt to forget it's Only a Game.

A fortnight's extension in May would secure these advantages:

(1) Better football, because the international players could be brought together for special training and team development.

This would improve our own international championship, and the prospects of individual countries in their important matches abroad in the World Cup. It would do away with the destructive interval between November and April.

(2) League clubs who, after all, and develop and maintain these now-so-costly international players, would have little or no cause for complaint.

(3) A plan could be drawn up whereby England, Scotland and Wales adjudicate on the Irish problem, and embodying an international pooling system guaranteeing Irish finances and a rota of international matches for Belfast and Dublin, provided the two associations agree to run one All Ireland XI.

Irish contributions to the game through the years —

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## Sir Donald Bradman seen with Denis Compton (centre) and J. L. Warr on the occasion of the official reception to the MCC Touring Team on their arrival at Adelaide.

Central Press Photo.

## Ryder Cup Postponement Requested

Chicago, Nov. 14.

The Professional Golfers Association to-day faced prospects that its major international competition, the Ryder Cup matches, will not be played as scheduled in 1951.

Mr. R. C. A. Roe, executive secretary of the British PGA, notified officials here by cable in August-September 1951—the usual months for the meet. Instead, Mr. Roe said they would like to play in March, 1952.

Though no official would comment openly, it was obvious the action nettled the PGA hierarchy and one spokesman glumly pointed out it was usual for visitors to accede to the host's request for dates.

He said: "We want there a year ago to play when they wanted to."

The PGA had attempted to bring the British here in August to take advantage of the \$25,000 guarantee offered by George S. May, of the Tam O'Shanter Club, Chicago.—United Press.

## CHESS TOURNEY

## Giritsky Held To A Draw

The Colony Champion, Serge Giritsky, was held to a draw at the Peninsula Hotel last night in the third round of the tournament for the Championship of the Kowloon Chess Club.

Giritsky agreed to a draw after 24 moves when confronted with an end game of four pawns aside and bishops of different colours against L. Schure, former Club Champion, who played the French Defence.

Eugene Tausz beat P.K. Prokopy to remain top of the table. He has the white pieces against Giritsky in the last round of the tournament on December 12.

Eugene Tausz and Giritsky have now re-qualified as First Category players, the new rule being that players must score 33 percent of the possible points.

In the other two third round games, Karol Weiss beat Joseph Tausz and Ray Ranenberg beat A. Briukoff.

## HOW THEY STAND

	P	W	D	L	Pts
E. Tausz	3	3	1	1	3 1/2
S. Giritsky	3	2	1	1	3 1/2
L. Schure	2	1	1	1	1 1/2
K. Weiss	2	1	1	1	1 1/2
J. Tausz	2	1	1	1	1 1/2
P. K. Prokopy	2	1	1	1	1 1/2
R. C. Ranenberg	2	1	1	1	1 1/2
A. Briukoff	3	1	1	1	0

## English & Welsh Teams Today

London, Nov. 14.

England selected the following team to play against Wales in an international soccer match at Sunderland on November 15. Williams (Wolverhampton Wanderers), Ramsey (Tottenham Hotspur), Smith (Tottenham Hotspur), Compton (Arsenal), Dickinson (Portsmouth), Finney (Preston North-End), Mannion (Middlesbrough), Milburn (Newcastle United), Bailey (Tottenham Hotspur), Medley (Tottenham Hotspur).

Wright, who was chosen as right-half, is on the injured list and a substitute has not yet been named.

The Wales team is as follows: Hughes (Luton Town), Barnes (Arsenal), Sherwood (Cardiff), Paul (Manchester City), Daniels (Arsenal), Burgess (Tottenham Hotspur), Griffiths (Leicester), Albion (Coventry), Ford (Sunderland), Allchurch (Swansea), Clarke (Manchester City).—Router.

## MAPLE LEAF TRIUMPH

A football team from HMCS Blouin defeated the USS Manchester 7-5 in the first game of a double-header at Kowloon yesterday.

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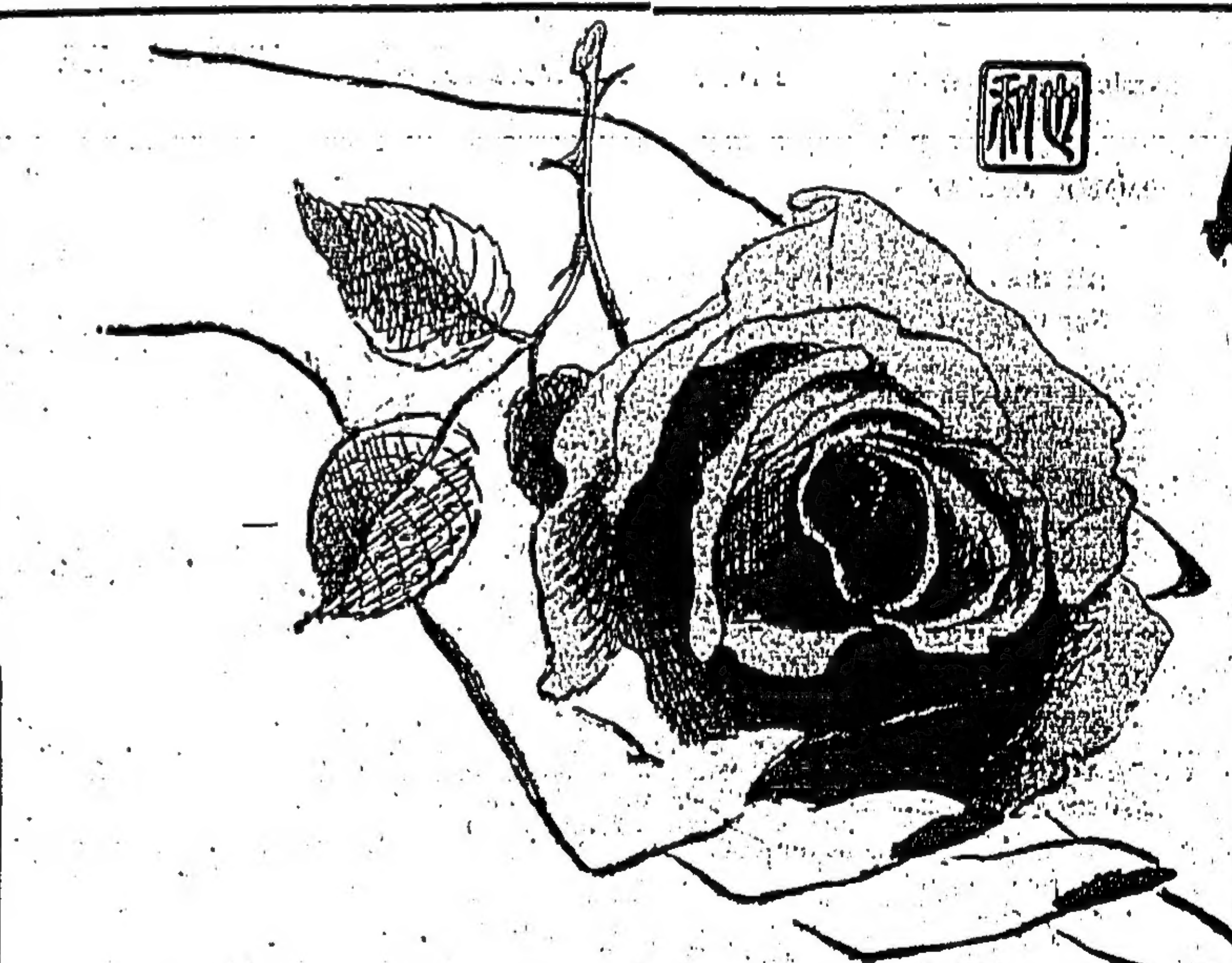
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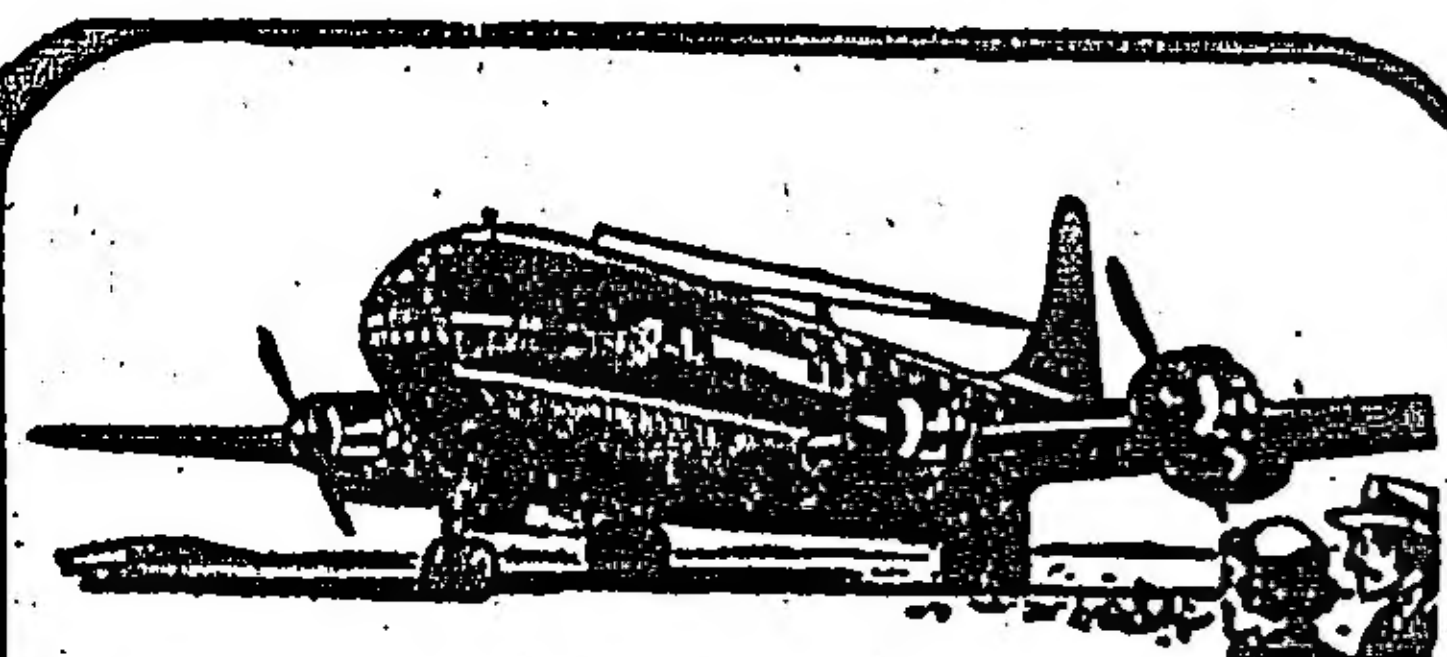
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## • BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

LEADING bophomologs are inclined to attribute the recurring explosions on Mars to the bursting of enormous eggs.

It is pointed out that, owing to atmospheric conditions on that planet, eggs must stand on end. If laid down on their sides they burst. The theory is that some huge and ignorant bird built a nest and laid a number of eggs horizontally on the floor of the nest. This would cause the eggs to explode.

Love conquers all

MIDNIGHT chimed from a distant clock, and still that strange contest continued. By now the cheating was so frank and open, that each jested about it. "Why not use that king in your pocket, Smarty?" "Darling, I will when you use the queen you palmed when you dealt." For these two had become very intimate, and as the headmaster said afterwards: "The green balise was but a greensward upon which Cupids seemed to disport themselves." Every time he pressed her hand she missed a card or two. Every time she returned the pressure, he bade a silent adieu to his trump. Slowly she wore him down. Bewitched by foolish hopes, he began to play wildly, neglecting the very elements of cheating. She smiled continually, and his eyes were too often on her face instead of on her nimble hands. He began to wonder what kind of a scandal it would create if a headmaster had to mortgage his school to pay his card-debts. Marriage seemed to be the only way out. He therefore let the cards go long, and began to woo her in earnest, calling her his poodlepoodle and his little mipsikina.

Life is like that

IF Marylebone still insists on banning private flags, there will probably be a special meeting of the Cabinet to consider whether the burgee of the Saucy Mrs. Flobster moored off (or rather tied by an old cabman's belt) to Chelsea Embankment is a private flag or not. The crumbling old thing can hardly be called a ship, and Admiral Sir Ewart Hodgson was mobbed by hens amidst when he last paid a formal visit of inspection. The caretaker's nephew fired a salute of one gun and two pairs of broken breeches came out of the breeches a shirt, and a football cap.

In passing  
I LIKE the frank confession of a "housewife" who says that what she does not like about the

comic strips is the pictures. That leaves, for her to like, only the strange dialogue which floats (enclosed by balloons) from the mouths of beautifully dressed strong men, nine feet high and eight broad, and slim girls with piston-rod legs and hair that fits like a brass cap. Whenever "Hog" Revello hits "Butch" Katz in the face, the word "Ouch!" without any illustration, would become monotonous, were there not "Wham!" to fall back on.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

IF you are born today, you have considerable genius, but you will need to cultivate perseverance and patience if you are to reach your goals. Your life may not be an easy one and there may be considerable opposition to your ideas at first. However, if you stick to them, you will find that eventually the rest of the world falls in line!

You dislike all kinds of ostentation. You are genuine, practical and have a great deal of common sense. But you do have what is called "practical temperment" and must learn not to use it too often. Politics will probably interest you keenly. But you would never make a party-line man. Your own inventive ideas and plans are much too exciting to allow yourself to conform too readily to any blueprints of others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Concentrate on home activities. Perhaps the domestic scene can be improved. Get co-operation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Learn how to save time today. Perhaps a new method at home or the office will prove productive.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—This can prove to be an enjoyable, social day. Call on a friend this evening.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Take a mature attitude toward things. Advise someone younger than yourself on a problem.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Put your best foot forward today. An introduction may prove important to future relations.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Be careful when using electrical equipment. If something needs repairing, get it done properly.

## DUMB-BELLS

GIVE ME SOME TOOTH PASTE, A TOOTH FELL OUT AND I WANT TO REPLACE IT!



## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Lou Might Have Done A Little Better

By OSWALD JACOBY

"WE had a hand here recently," writes a Foughkeepsie correspondent, "in which declarer copied one of Larceny Lou's exploits."

"West opened the deuce of clubs, and dummy won with the ace. Declarer saw that if he led spades while the king of hearts was still in dummy the opponents would undoubtedly take their club tricks and the ace of diamonds in addition to the ace of spades. This would set the contract."

"Declarer therefore took three rounds of trumps ending in his own hand and then led his singleton spade!"

"East could not believe that South had deliberately taken all the entries out of the dummy if he had only a singleton spade. He therefore let dummy's king of spades win the first trick in that suit. The rest of course was very easy. Declarer could quite comfortably afford to give up two clubs and a diamond."

"Has Larceny Lou been copying stunts from our boys up here?"

Larceny Lou does not mind copying anybody's stunts if they're good ones. However, I

♠ KQJ74	13		
♥ K94			
♦ 84			
♣ A73			
♠ 1083	♠ A952		
♥ 852	♥ 8		
♦ A105	♦ 98732		
♣ Q842	♣ KJ70		
(DEALER)			
♠ 6			
♥ AQJ1073			
♦ KQJ			
♣ 1095			
Both vul.			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
3 ♠	Pass		
Opening lead—♠ 2			

must say that in this case East should not have gone wrong. If East trusts his partner, he should know that South has only a singleton spade!

When South leads spades, West is obliged to show how many. With three spades, he plays his lowest card. With two or with four he plays some card other than his lowest.

When West plays the three of spades, obviously his lowest, East knows that his partner has exactly three cards in the suit. He can therefore afford to take his ace and look for tricks elsewhere.

Conceivably, West's three of spades is a singleton. In that case there is no hope of defeating the contract, since South must obviously hold an honour trick in diamonds for his opening bid and cannot then have four losing tricks.

## • BARBS

By HAL COCHRAN

LIFE is just a game of cards, says a judge. And the queen takes the jack.

A lot of girls who "haven't anything to wear" call it an evening gown.



Film cowboys used to do a lot of shooting—now they're crooning. Just another way of boring people.

Stripes are popular, again this autumn with the women—and they'll attract men's attention all along the line.

A duplicate is all right until it's a duplicate.

## Willy the Toad Was Lost

—And His Friends Looked Everywhere for Him—

By MAX TRELL

CHIRPIE Sparrow came to the window-sill. There were some bread-crumbs spread out for him. He was still very early in the morning) sat up with a start. Then they dashed to the window.

"Ah!" said Chirpie when he saw them. "Good morning! Is Willy Toad here?"

Handi said: "Willy? Oh no, he's not here!"

"Willy should be sitting on a toadstool at the edge of the Pine Tree Grove," said Knarf. "There's where he always is at this time of the day."

"That's where he isn't," said Chirpie. "I've looked. No one has seen Willy since yesterday afternoon!"

"Oh!" exclaimed Handi.

Hopping and Hopping

"He's lost," said Chirpie. "He's wandering somewhere. He's hopping and hopping without knowing where he's hopping. Maybe he's at the bottom of a ditch."

This sounded quite serious. Willy had never got himself lost before. To think of him being at the bottom of a ditch somewhere, not able to get out, or to think of him hopping back and forth in some strange place without knowing how to hop home again was so dreadful that Knarf and Handi said at once to Chirpie that they must lose no time looking for poor Willy.

"That's it," agreed Chirpie. "But where do we look? If we only knew where he was then it wouldn't be any trouble looking for him. But where do we start looking if we don't even know where to look?"

A few minutes later Knarf and Handi were crossing the garden on the way to the edge of the Pine Tree Grove. Chirpie flew over their heads. When they finally reached the toadstool where Willy always sat catching flies and mosquitoes, they found to their alarm that not only was Willy nowhere to be seen but the toadstool itself had vanished.

"He must have taken it with him!" Chirpie said. "Maybe he didn't get 'himself' lost at all. Maybe he just decided to move away and leave us."

"Move away and not tell us good-bye?" said Handi. "Oh no! Willy wouldn't do that, Chirpie!"

"He must be lost. The toadstool must be lost too," said Knarf. Here Knarf suddenly his toadstool.



Willy dozed on a toadstool.

had an idea. "When people get lost," he said, to Handi and Chirpie, "they get a dog to find them. Generally they get a bloodhound."

A White Poodle

But neither Knarf nor Handi, nor Chirpie knew any bloodhounds. The only dog they knew was Pooch Pooch, who was a white poodle. Knarf said Pooch Pooch was better than no dog at all, so he whistled for him. By and by Pooch Pooch, who was taking a nap under the back steps of the house, came trotting over. Knarf explained about Willy Toad being lost somewhere.

"Do you think you can find him, Pooch Pooch?" asked Handi. "Certainly!" replied Pooch Pooch. "Which way did he go?"

"Goah, that's what you're supposed to find out, Pooch Pooch!" said Knarf.

Pooch Pooch now began sniffing around the spot where the toadstool used to stand. "He's right here somewhere!" Pooch Pooch suddenly said. "I'm sure of it!"

All at once he darted off behind one of the pine trees. Knarf and Handi and Chirpie followed right after him.

To their joy and astonishment, there was Willy, dozing on top of a brand new toadstool, right behind the tree! He smiled when he saw his friends.

"Looking for me?" he said pleasantly. "I just moved!"

"Willy!" cried Handi after she had given him a hug. "Why didn't you tell us you were moving? We all thought you had left us without even saying good-bye!"

"Oh, I didn't know I was going to the spot where the toadstool just disappeared, so I had to find a new one. I found it right here. So I didn't really move. I just found a new place!" Knarf and Handi and Chirpie were very glad that Willy hadn't disappeared like his toadstool.

## Rupert's Climbing Adventure—21



Calling to Bingo to go to the full length of rope, he drops the rope and scurries up to the floor of the cave, where he sits himself free from the cave. Then he gasps, "Bingo was right. A shadow of rock. "Bingo was right," he says. "There's a fine, and it's all yours!"

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